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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

Group I, claim(s) 1-42, & 46 drawn to An Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexed (OFDM) Base Transceiver Station (BTS), classified in class 455, subclass 562.1

Group II, claim(s) 43-45, & 47 drawn to A method of transmitting service and data traffic information to a plurality of mobile terminals within a coverage area, classified in class 455, subclass 25.

Inventions An Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexed (OFDM) Base Transceiver Station (BTS) and A method of transmitting service and data traffic information to a plurality of mobile terminals within a coverage area are related as combination and subcombination. Inventions in this relationship are distinct if it can be shown that (1) the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed for patentability, and (2) that the subcombination has utility by itself or in other combinations (MPEP § 806.05(c)). In the instant case, the combination as claimed does not require the particulars of the subcombination as claimed because An Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexed (OFDM) Base Transceiver Station (BTS) with substrate. The subcombination has separate utility such as without OFDM, A method of transmitting service and data traffic information to a plurality of mobile terminals within a coverage area.

2. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

A telephone call was made to Mr. James McGraw on April 27th 2004 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sharad Rampuria whose telephone number is 703-308-4736. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri. (9:00-5:30).

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